metics Rules provides for the import of combinations of known homoeopathic medicines, which also requires Government's approval ; and

(b) if so, what are the conditions which are required to be complied with by the companies before approval is given by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM) : (a) and (b) As per rule 30 AA of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, permission in writing of the Licensing Authority is required for importing new rule Homoeopathic medicines. Explanations to rule 30 AA gives the definition of the new Homoeopathic medicines (copy attached).

Statement

The drugs and cosmetics rules

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30 AA Import of New Homoeopathic medicines :—

(1) No new Homoeopathic medicine shall be imported except under and in accordance with the permission in writing of the Licensing Authority.

(2) The importer of a New Homoeopathic medicine when applying for permission shall produce before the Licensing Authority such documentary and other evidence as may be required by the Licensing Authority for assessing the therapeutic efficacy of the medicine including the minimum provings carried out with it.

Explanation :—For the purpose of this rule, 'New Homoeopathic medicines' means;

(i) A Homoeopathic medicine which is not specified in the Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India or the United States of America or the United Kingdom of the German Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia; or

(ii) which is not recognised in authoritative Homoeopathic literature as efficacious under the conditions recommended; or

(iii) a combination of Homoeopathic medicines containing one or more medicines which are not specified in any of the Pharmacopoeias referred to in clause (i) as Homoeopathic medicines and also not recognised in authoritataive Homoeopathic literature as efficacious under the conditions recommended.

Rejection of an US offer for trainer Jet

706. SHRI GOPALA RAO, RAO : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Govt. have rejected an offer by USA to co-produce a trainer jet aircraft; and

(b) if so, the details of the offer and the reasons for the rejection ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Percentage of expenditure in money allotted to North Eastern Council

707. SHRI NARAYAN KAR : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state: